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From: Vanroden, Victoria
Sent: Thur 10/15/2015 6:42:41 PM
Subject: RE: GKM: \$2.6M Funding Need

Per our call today, OEM will reprogram \$3.123M to Region 8 to finalize the stabilization of the mine site. Thank you for providing more specifics of how the funds will be used. We clarified again that this is the end of the remaining GKM ER set aside, and all future GKM release activities that are CERCLA related will be coming out of each Region's FY16 AOA. We also stressed the need for a final Action Memo decision document for this release. I hope to have the funds in region 8 by early next week.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 5:03 PM
To: Vanroden, Victoria
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Subject: RE: GKM: \$2.6M Funding Need

Hi Victoria,

Yes - let's discuss. I'll set up a call for tomorrow and send to everyone on this email in case there are others that want to join in.

Thanks again,

Joe

From: Vanroden, Victoria
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:26 PM
To: Poetter, Joe
Cc: Guarneiri, Lisa; Williams, Laura; Irizarry, Gilberto; Woodyard, Josh
Subject: RE: GKM: \$2.6M Funding Need

Hi Joe. Below is an email sent to Jay over a week ago on GKM, and his response. I realized you were not cc'd.

It appears R8 still has \$1M left of FY15 funds OEM provided a couple of weeks ago.

Q – do you really need the entire \$2M to stabilize the site or just \$1M b/c you still have \$1M from last month that OEM provided.

Q - are the Cooperative Agreements you reference below per Subpart O regs.? If yes, it is my understanding that we are awaiting OGC legal/OGD opinions on if they will approve a deviation from the regs. and if removal funds are the correct appropriation to use (since regs. are pre-remedial work driven and the one removal reference is for work related to NTC removal (more than 6 months planning) which is remedial funds).

OEM HQ has \$2.52M left of FY15 GKM ER set aside. Now that the ER is over, future regional request for funds will be coming out of your FY16 AOA. I am hoping that the site will be stabilized with the remaining funds you are requesting and all will pause to determine next steps and funding sources.

In FY14 and FY15, R8's allocation of S and E funds was \$7.4M. I am assuming the region does not want to use all S and E funds on just this one site this year, but instead on others as well. According to COMPASS, R8 received \$722k in C6 funds from OCFO for CR. OEM received \$12.4M of 9R funds for the ten regions for CR. R8's allocation for all E and S funds is approx.

6.2% (per old workload model), which comes to \$769k from the \$12.4M FY16 CR funds. To simplify, here is a brief summary of what could potentially be available to R8 now.

OEM FY15 Reprogram Funds not Committed by R8:	\$1M
OCFO C6 FY16 CR to R8:	\$722k
<u>FY16 9R R8 Allocation:</u>	<u>\$769k</u>
Total:	\$2.491M

If you have a need to tap into the FY15 \$2.52 GKM ER set aside, beyond the \$2.491M available to you, please let me know. Otherwise, I would like to provide those funds to the 7 regions that made donations (they provided \$8.8M) to help Regions 6, 8 and 9 get through the ER phase.

More than happy to have a call to discuss.

On Oct 5, 2015, at 5:10 PM, Teopaco, Julius <Teopaco.Julius@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello Victoria,

R8 is going over their funding needs and reassessing.

R9 – I had a conference call with Barbara Lee and Elaine Huang. I misunderstood their funding needs when they responded back to me. The only funding they absolutely need is the \$46K to increase the BIA IA for water delivery to Navajo. They've running of funds and would really like to get \$46K transferred asap.

I will call you when I received the information from R8.

Thank you very much!

Jay Teopaco

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Subject: FW: GKM Regions Funding Needs

Thanks Jay. We will need more specifics on what the funds will be used for in R8 -- and specifically R9.

For R8, need to learn more on what the \$3.7M is needed for during the next two weeks. As of this morning, R8 still has \$1M still available from carryover funds HQ reprogrammed to them. Please note that OEM/HQ only has ~\$3M left that is set aside for Regions 6, 8 and 9 to address stabilizing the effects of the release through mid-Oct. We now have a CR and can utilize that in the future for R8. For the R8 Cooperative Agreements referenced (assuming to pay states under Subpart O regs.), they are most likely not related to CERCLA 104(b) ER response costs. These monies should be coming out of R8's allowance. The 9R CR funds should be loaded next week into the system that could be utilized. We can reprogram R8's advance AOA from that based on their needs.

For Region 9, we need to know what of the \$984K is related to response costs needed to stabilize the release in their region for next two weeks. Regarding the IA with BIA, we were told previously it was something the Region was addressing. Again, now that we have a CR, we can tap into Region 9's 9R AOA allocation for non-emergency situations.

I appreciate R6 stating that they are good through mid-Oct.

I would be more than happy to have a call to discuss further.

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Hi Victoria,

We are estimating a need of \$2.6M for the GKM response through the end of this month. The following is a breakout of this funding request:

- \$2M for continued mine stabilization work based on current estimates for START & ERRS contracts.
- \$600K for cooperative agreements. This will make \$1M available in the region available to award cooperative agreements as we hear the applications should be coming in shortly.

Please let me know if you have questions. We will need to put the additional funds on START

by next week as we anticipate them to hit their ceiling at that time. Laura and I are happy to discuss the particulars if needed.

Joe

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